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Report Highlights:

Egyptian rice exports to traditional markets increased substantially in 2002 due to the continued devaluation of the Egyptian pound. Both production and exports are expected to increase in CY 2003.

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Export Trade Matrix	_
Country of destination of Egyptian rice export by month are as Follows:	4

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PSD Table

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Country:	Egypt					
Commodity:	Rice, Milled					
		2001		2002		2003
	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Market Year Begin		01/2001		01/2002		01/2003
Area Harvested	563	563	672	588	0	615
Beginning Stocks	887	655	360	360	0	342
Milled Production	3575	3575	3900	3705	0	3900
Rough Production	5500	5500	6000	5700	0	6000
Milling Rate(.9999)	6500	6500	6500	6500	0	6500
TOTAL Imports	50	0	0	0	0	0
Jan-Dec Imports	50	0	0	0	0	0
Jan-Dec Import U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL SUPPLY	4512	4230	4260	4065	0	4242
TOTAL Exports	500	670	400	473	0	550
Jan-Dec Exports	500	670	400	473	0	550
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	3150	3200	3250	3250	0	3300
Ending Stocks	862	360	610	342	0	392

PS&D estimates for 2002 have been revised based on new information obtained from private sector industry contacts. Post analysis of the rice industry is more in line with private sector estimates than that of the Ministry of Agriculture. We revised the area harvested from 672,000 HA to 588,000 HA. Production of rough rice was revised from 6 MMT to 5.7 MMT and ending stocks were changed from 937,000 MT to 342,000 MT. We, also revised total exports upward from 400,000 MT to 473,000 MT.

There are two reasons behind the increase in rice exports during the last three months of the CY 2002. First, rough rice prices at the wholesale level decreased substantially from LE 900 (\$158) per MT to LE 700 (\$123) per MT, as the new crop came on line in late September 2002. Second, the continued devaluation of the Egyptian pound has made Egyptian rice exports more price competitive.

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Export Trade Matrix

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Country:		Units:	000MT
Commodity:			
Time period:			
Exports for	2001		2002
U.S.		U.S.	
Others		Others	
Romania	56,000	Syria	84,282
Syria	45,000	Turkery	77,313
Jordan	40,000	Romania	72,540
Turkey	36,000	Jordan	51,059
Sudan	26,000	Sudan	33,179
Libya	25,000	Libya	33,000
Ukrain	16,000	Ukrain	16,000
Saudi Arabia	11,000	Saudi Arabia	12,108
U.K	9,000	U K	10,418
Lebanon	8,000	Lebanon	10,418
Total for Others	272000		400317
Others not listed	78,000		72,683
Grand Total	350000		473000

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Country of destination of Egyptian rice export by month are as Follows:

Month	Quantity MT
January, 2002	
Romania	7,533
Libya	7,321
Turkey	5,900
Jordan	2,641
Sudan	1,867
Cyprus	1,782
Syria	1,621
Total	28,665
Others	7,252
G.Total	35,917
February, 2002	
Syria	13,510
Romania	4,900
Ukraine	4,500
Jordan	2,907
Turkey	1,968
Total	27,785
Others	6,098
G. Total	33,883
March, 2002	
Romania	7,800
Turkey	6,729
Syria	3,286
Sudan	2,596
Jordan	2,049
Total	22,460
Other	5,865
G.Total	28,325
April, 2002	
Turkey	9,411
Syria	7,114
Libya	4,000
Jordan	2,576

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U.K	1,555
Sudan	1,450
Total	26,106
Other	16,178
G.Total	42,284
May, 2002	,
Libya	8,150
Sudan	5,000
Turkey	4,277
Jordan	3,000
Syria	2,453
Romania	2,210
U.K	1,430
Lebanon	1,189
Total	27,709
Other	3,696
G.Total	31,405
June, 2002	
Romania	14,600
Syria	5,563
Libya	4,000
Sudan	2,996
Lebanon	2,631
Ukrain	2,600
Jordan	2,340
Saudi-Arabia	2,300
Turkey	1,592
U.K	1,325
Total	39,947
Other	1,857
G.Total	41,804
July, 2002	
Sudan	3,925
Ukrain	3,727
Saudi-Arabia	3,245
Syria	2,948
Romania	2,550
Jordan	1,796
UK	1,020
Total	19,211
Others	3,931

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G.T	23,142
August, 2002	- ,
Ukrain	3,390
Romania	2,065
Syria	2,052
Sudan	1,684
Jordan	1,330
UK	1,158
Total	11,679
Others	2,818
G.T	14,497
September,, 2002	
Jordan	21,362
Syria	5,179
Turkey	3,827
Romania	3,680
Sudan	2,972
Moldova	2,350
Greece	1,157
Cameron	1,000
Total	41,527
Others	2,782
G.T	44,309
October, 2002	
Turkey	13,252
Syria	9,581
Cyprus	8,900
Jordan	6,306
Sudan	1,691
Lebanon	1,418
U.K	1,326
Saudi Arabia	1,108
Kenya	1,050
Total	44,632
Others	8,431
G.T	53,063
November, 2002	
Turkey	14,575
Syria	12,009
Romania	9,180
Jordan	4,753

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Libya	4,000
Sudan	2,979
Moldovia	1,723
Lebanon	1,169
Bulgaria	1,196
Total	51,584
Others	10,092
G.Total	61,676
December, 2002	
Syria	17,692
Turkey	13,486
Romania	7,360
Libya	4,000
UAE	3,111
Sudan	2,509
Greece	2,251
Cot'DeVour	1,500
Total	51,909
Others	10,319
G.T	62,228
Jan to Dec Total	472,533